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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 773  
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Manager Annette Filley and the Dixie Ponytail fast pitch softball team on winning the World Series.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially recognize the members of outstanding athletic teams, who work hard, play adroitly, overcome tough competition, and make the necessary sacrifices to succeed; and

WHEREAS, the Dixie Ponytail fast pitch softball team, which recently won the World Series, is one such very talented team; and

WHEREAS, the Cumberland County contingent first won their District Tournament with impressive victories against Lake City 9-1, Spring City 18-0, and Lake City 15-1; and

WHEREAS, at the State Tournament, the Dixie girls defeated host Houston County 5-2; a strong Greenbrier team 1-0; Summertown 2-0; Houston County 8-7, with a great comeback effort; and Greenbrier 12-0; to win the state championship and earn a trip to the World Series; and

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WHEREAS, at the World Series, the Dixie Ponytails played with fire and vigor, beating host Fairview 11-0, Georgia 3-0, Alabama 8-1, Louisiana 6-1, Texas 3-2, and Alabama 8-5; and

WHEREAS, this was the first time that a team from Cumberland County had ever won the World Series; and

WHEREAS, their marvelous overall record was an unblemished 14-0; and

WHEREAS, the Dixie Ponytails awesome offensive effort resulted in 108 runs scored in their 14 games, and their stingy pitching and defense only allowed 20 total runs; and

WHEREAS, highly regarded **Manager Annette Filley** and their excellent **Coaches Larry Houston and Mike Sisco** have skillfully developed the tremendous natural talent of the team, taught the players the admirable values of hard work, discipline and sacrifice and molded the squad into championship caliber; and

WHEREAS, the players, each of whom was carefully selected after thorough scouting, were: **Lynndy Houston, Jillian Knaebel, Savannah Filley, Lindsey Brown, Casha Foster, Ginny Swearngen, Julie French, Jillian Jones, Ashley Sisco, Whitney Sidwell, Jessica Burnett and Christa Findley**; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to specially recognize a team whose outstanding accomplishments make us proud to be Tennesseans; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Manager Annette Filley and the Dixie Ponytails fast pitch softball team on winning the World Series and wish them well in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to each person named above, with this final clause omitted from such copies.